

To whom it may concern:

I would like to offer comment on the review of FCC regulations which currently prohibit ownership by one entity of both television and newspaper in the same geographic region. I believe that this regulation should continue to exist in order to promote competitiveness and ensure diversity in the industries.

To elaborate my first concern, the competition offered by a free market allows consumers choice in their consumption. Governments operating under the notion that corporate reigns must be released at all costs often fail to balance that notion with the release of its citizens from the reigns of corporations. After all, the power to operate a corporation is ceded to it by the government, and the power to operate a government is ceded to it by the people, making us the masters of all.

On the notion that diversity is reduced by consolidating ownership of the media, it must be made clear that diversity is not a wedge to divide but a prism to shine. Without competition, rugged individualism would be an antiquated credulity. And without diversity of point of view among the media in the same geographic locations, the individualism that makes our country great and keeps us free would be put out one step closer to pasture.

Thanks for your time.

Respectfully,
Your Master :)